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# OLLI TIMES



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## From Our Director



This spring culminates our 20th Anniversary of lifelong learning at Vanderbilt! In 1995, Silvine Hudson, an extraordinary woman, started Retirement Learning at Vanderbilt and worked as the Director until her retirement in 2002. She deserves much credit for the success of this program. I feel so fortunate to have worked under Ms. Hudson and to now serve in this capacity. It is an absolute pleasure to see all of you come and go excited by the new knowledge you have acquired. Please know how grateful I am for each and every one of you and don't hesitate to call or email me any suggestions you may have.

# FROM THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT



term as President of the **OLLI Advisory** Board has come to a close. When my term began a year ago it seemed that

I had adequate time to accomplish my reasonably conservative goals:

- Meet as many of the OLLI members as I could
- Have a positive impact on the effort to obtain the second endowment from the Osher Foundation
- Support the curriculum committee
- Support all other OLLI goals

It has been a year filled with exciting educational opportunities and progress for both Vanderbilt and for OLLI. Last Fall, Norma invited

The end of my me to accompany her to the annual Osher conference. It was a great opportunity with representation from all of the OLLI's in the United States. I even had an opportunity to talk with Mr. Osher; he is a very impressive individual. During our meeting, I tried to find out if we had been approved for the second foundation endowment but he had no comment. Over the last year, we were successful in meeting our goals for fundraising, our enrollment continued to increase and the Osher Foundation ultimately did award us the second million-dollar endowment. I have had the pleasure of meeting many of you during this year and became acquainted with many of the professors through one-on-one contact. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you, as well as Norma and her staff, for the suggestions and support during the past year. What a year it has been.

## Summer 2016

Registration for Summer 2016 is now available with a deadline of May 30th. We are very excited about all of the courses being offered which highlight music, food and wine.

Mitchell Korn will be back at the Williamson County Library with Symphony 101 and the Music of Motown will be presented by David Williams on Vanderbilt's campus. The Osher Steel Drum Band with Mat Britain and Alli Puglisi continues to be a favorite (no musical experience is required). You can view the course descriptions for all of the summer courses by clicking HERE.

**IMPORTANT:** Many of the courses for this summer have limited seating available and are filling fast. Online registration is recommended to secure your seat before the classes fill.

#### THE NEW PRESIDENT



Newly elected OLLI president Betsy Kerr Hay, PhD, RN graduated from Randolph-Macon Woman's College and then pursued her nursing education at Columbia, Vanderbilt and Case Western Reserve Universities. Her 43 year nursing career included practice in orthopaedics and neurosur-

gery, upper level administration, and classroom teaching.

In retirement, Betsy is thoroughly enjoying interna-

tional travel, gardening, and volunteer work. She has served as president of the University Club of Nashville, director of education for the Herb Society of Nashville and Sunday school teacher for two year olds. Her learning curve in gourmet cooking has resulted in activation of her kitchen smoke alarm only once (so far).

Betsy has been on the OLLI Board for several years. She cites the comradery of members, the high quality of programs, and opportunities to meet new people as special benefits of membership. She looks forward to building on the foundation of 20 successful years as she leads OLLI into the next decade.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Are you planning ahead? Here are the start dates for the next four terms:

Summer 2016: June 12th Winter 2017: January 16th

Fall 2016: October 10th Spring 2017: March 27th



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# NEW REGISTRATION WEBSITE

We heard your feedback and are very excited to announce the launch of our brand-new registration website! After months of working with a developer, the custombuilt site will be available for use for the Summer 2016 term. We thank you for your continued patience as we worked toward this goal. We are confident you will find this new site worth the wait.

#### What you need to know:

- The site will be accessed through the website just as before
- Usernames and passwords from the former system will not transfer so you will need to set up a new account
- Your email address will be your username

#### **New Features:**

- User-friendly navigation for easier registration
- Add guests to special events and Lunch and Learns
- Review your schedule at any time
- View your status on the waitlist

# Did You Know?

## **Class Materials**

Going to miss a class?
Forgot to pick up a
handout? You can find the
class handouts and
presentations on our
website. Simply navigate
to our SITE and in the right
hand navigation click
"Current Class Materials".

#### Class Videos

One or two classes each term are recorded and added to our site for viewing. Simply navigate to our SITE and in the right hand navigation click "Current Class Videos".

#### **Scholarships**

Scholarship assistance is available for one term each academic year. For more information, visit our website and click "Scholarships" in the righthand navigation.

# UPDATED FEE STRUCTURE

Beginning with the Fall 2016 term, the OLLI at Vanderbilt fee structure is changing. All classes previously considered a core class and eligible for the three-course package will now be priced at \$40 per class. The three-course package will no longer be available. All special course offerings (e.g. "OLLI at the Ballet", "Steel Drum Band" and "Great Decisions") will continue to

be priced separately. Starting with the Summer 2016 catalog, the fee for each course will be listed with the course description as well as on the registration form, found on the last page of the catalog. We are excited about the affordability and accessibility this change will bring to our membership. If you have questions, please call our office at (615) 343-1130.



# NEW MEMBERS

# Join us in welcoming 152 new members from this year!

Jayne Andrews Laurie Ball Allen Barlow Cheri Barlow **Barry Bartlett** Marilyn Beesley Randall Beeson Elaine Bellin Harvey Bennett Julie Birdsong Kathleen Bivona Linda Blaine Debi Blake Barbara Blankstein Ann Bodnar Charles Brackett Linda Bramhall Robert Brandt Susan Bryant Alice Cannon Brenda Carson John Chambers Susan Chambers Frances Christian Hayes Cooney Sheila Cope Eileen Crawford Pam Crichton Ruth Crouch Louise D'Andrea

Judy Darnell

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Charlene Hosey Max Hurst **David Husbands** Marie-Pierre Isherwood Joe Jackson **Betty James** Glenn Johnson Linda Kartoz-Doochin Paula Kasalis Lin Kavser Paula Kelling Diana Kersey Ursula King Jean Klockenkemper Walter Kurtz Vaden Lackey Larry Lancaster Jeannie Lausten Rick Lausten Dorinda Lee Sandy Lewis Mary Leyden Johnson Loretta Linden Folger Linnea David Loftin Cindy Loring George Luscombe Jo Ellen Luscombe **Delores Maass** Herman Maass Peggy Macpherson

**Dorcas Mansell** Jeanne Marchetti Mary Ruth Martin Vivian Martin Barbara Martino Eve Maxwell Faye McArthur Janie McClellan Conn McConnell Kathleen McCracken Dana McCullough Floy McPherson Warren Melamed **David Miller** Joann Miller Linda Miller Anne Moore John Moore Sandy Moore Steve Moore Cynthia Morin John Oates Larkin Oates Meredith Oates Glenna Orr Martha Orr Jamie Parsley Cindy Pennig Don Pocek Lil Polk

Lawrence Pomeroy

Terry Rappuhn Joan Robinson William Robinson Becky Rochford Helen Rose Richard Ruach Robert Rutherford Dwayne Sagen Helen Schley Anita Schmid Mary Jo Shankle Kristen Shaw Fran Silberg Kathy Simpson Dave Sobotka Susan Spurgeon William Tyree Finch Rhonda Usner Kerry Vazquez Donna Ware Larry Ware Sue Westman Michael White **Donald Williams** Julia Williams Shelley Wilmoth Fran Wolf James Zerface

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# FEATURING: RESTAURANT REVIEW GROUP

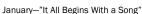
Our restaurant review group has an excellent list of restaurants selected for the remainder of the spring and summer. The group is led by Mary Raffety and Viv Pocke and recently got their own page on the OLLI website. Check out the page <a href="HERE">HERE</a>. If you are interested in joining the group, email us <a href="HERE">HERE</a>. The group will meet at 11:30 a.m. on the following dates:

- Tenn Sixteen Food & Drink May 9
- St. Anejo May 24
- 1808 Grille (at Hutton Hotel) June 1
- Thai Esane
  June 16
- Acme Feed and Seed June 27
- Nashville's Farmer's Market July 14

## LUNCH AND LEARN

We had three very successful Lunch and Learn events during the spring term: "It All Begins With a Song", "Radnor Lake State Park", and "How Metro Council Works". Here are some photos from the events and stay tuned for announcement for fall dates.







March—"Radnor Lake State Park"



April—"How Metro Council Works"

## RECOGNITION

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Vanderbilt is truly a member-run organization. We'd like to thank all of our volunteers and OLLI board members. Their efforts truly make OLLI at Vanderbilt the wonderful program that it is! We'd like to give special recognition to Paul Gherman who, after four years, is stepping down as Curriculum Chair. Paul was key in bringing together many successful courses during his tenure and we are grateful for his willingness to extend his term to four years. Past President Bob Covington also steps down after many years of service, serving two of those as President. His leadership was invaluable as we pursued the second endowment from the Osher Foundation. Additionally, Frank Grace and Jim Clapper each have board terms that are expiring in May 2016 and their service has enhanced our leadership team.

#### **Board Members:**

President Rich Hohman, Jim Clapper, Bob Covington, Deborah Frankovich, Kathy Garthwaite, Paul Gherman, Frank Grace, Steven Greil, Betsy Hay, Lee McKnight, Kathy Morton, Sam Purushotham, Claire Tschudy, Aileen Webb, Kathy West, Jim Wynalek

## **Committee Chairs:**

Curriculum—Paul Gherman; Development—Lee McKnight; Special Events—Claire Tschudy; Lunch and Learn—Steven Greil; Classroom Assistance—Kathy Morton & Kathy West

#### Connect, Explore, Expand Leaders

Restaurant Review Group: Mary Raffety, Viv Pocek and Randi Lee Young; OLLI Book Club: Kay Simmons Classroom Assistants:

Dede Clements, Kathy Morton, Kathy West, Jennifer Cuozzo, Judy Darnell, Kathy Garthwaite, Beverly Summitt, Larry Lancaster, David Childress, Betty Childress

We're looking for members who are willing to serve as a classroom assistant for upcoming terms in classes for which they are enrolled. Volunteer responsibilities include:

- Arrive at class 20 minutes early
- Assist with monitoring name tags for attendance
- Answer general questions from members

Want to volunteer? Email us HERE.



## OLLI Book Club

The OLLI Book Club, led by Kay Simmons, meets the first Monday of every month from 12:00—1:00 p.m. at St. George's Episcopal Church in the upstairs conference room. If you are interested in participating in the book club, email us HERE. The most recent book reviews include:

- "All the King's Men" by Robert Penn Warren
- "The Orphan Master's Son" by Adam Johnson
- "Stoner" by John McGahern.

The fall reading list will be determined at the May meeting.



## Feedback

We welcome all feedback and suggestions. You can reach an OLLI staff member using the contact information below:

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